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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the documents are attached.

On May 5, 2004, Applicants submitted a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement to bring to the Examiner's attention the documents that had been cited in a counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty application. Two of the documents were not in the English language, and, although the IDS indicated that the PCT search report was being submitted, that search report was not listed on the 1449 form. Accordingly, Applicants provide in this submission:

1. For German patent DD 240 818, we provide certified translations of both the abstract and the example noted in the search report.

2. For German patent DE 2 062 285, we provide the priority documents we were able to obtain. These documents are in the English language. They are as follows:

Patent number	Application number	Filing date
US 3,676,480	13,770	February 24, 1970
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The PTO/SB/08 lists these documents and the search report. In addition, the PTO/SB/08 lists references cited in the specification of the present application and not yet submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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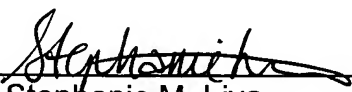
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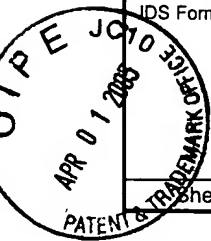
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